

Planning and Development Department Update

DATE: August 7, 2015
TO: Mayor Setti D. Warren
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RE: Friday Report
CC: Board of Aldermen
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This weekly report is intended to keep you informed of current development proposals and other noteworthy planning and development activities as follows:

Monday 8/10/15	
Tuesday 8/11/15	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Land Use Committee Public Hearing, 7:00 p.m., Aldermanic Chamber (Room 207)• Auburndale Historic District Commission, 7:30 p.m., Room 205
Wednesday 8/12/15	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Newton Housing Partnership, 7:45 a.m., Room 211
Thursday 8/13/15	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conservation Commission, 7:00 p.m., Room 204• Newton Upper Falls Historic District Commission, 7:30 p.m., Room 205

- **Land Use Committee Public Hearing/Working Session:** The Committee will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, August 11th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber, Room 207, with a Working Session to follow in Room 211. The following proposals will be discussed: **#160-15**, to construct a second-story addition that will exceed the maximum allowed Floor Area Ratio (F.A.R.) at **80 Deborah Road**; **#161-15**, to expand an existing driveway to allow parking for two vehicles at **48 Holman Road**; **#162-15**, to construct several additions that will exceed the maximum allowed F.A.R. at **6 Denny's Place**; **#163-15**, to increase the seating capacity of an existing restaurant from 100 to 120 seats and to waive eight required parking stalls at **22 Union Street**; **#164-15**, to construct a modest one-story addition that will exceed the maximum allowed F.A.R. at **55 Mossfield Road**; and **#178-15**, to construct a one-story attached garage that will exceed the maximum allowed F.A.R. at **12 Lake Terrace**. **Contact Alexandra Ananth at 617.796.1121 or aananth@newtonma.gov.**
- **Auburndale Historic District Commission:** The Commission will meet on **Tuesday, August 11th** at 7:30 p.m. in Room 205. The following request will be considered: **204-220 Woodland Road (a.k.a. 216 Woodland Road)**, Lasell College, to demolish Wass Hall, to modify and update the envelope and walkway of Wolfe Hall, and to build a new adjoining building; and Administrative discussion to include approval of meeting minutes. **Contact Barbara Kurze at 617.796.1129 or bkurze@newtonma.gov.**
- **Newton Housing Partnership:** The Partnership will meet on **Wednesday, August 12th** at 7:45 a.m. in Room 211. The items on agenda include: presentation and discussion on **15 South Gate Park**, project update for **54 Taft Avenue**, presentation and discussion on potential CAN-DO project located at **10-12 Cambria Road**, CDBG and HOME funds budget update and pipeline discussion, and review and approval of meeting minutes. **Contact Liz Valenta at 617.796.1145 or evalenta@newtonma.gov.**

- **Newton Upper Falls Historic District Commission:** The Commission will meet on **Thursday, August 13th** at 7:30 p.m. in Room 205. The following requests will be considered: **969 Chestnut Street**, to replace four windows; **70-72 High Street** (continued from June 11, 2015 and July 9, 2015), to renovate existing house and build rear addition; and Administrative discussion to include approval of meeting minutes, project updates and mailing to Historic District residents. **Contact Barbara Kurze at 617.796.1129 or bkurze@newtonma.gov.**
- **Conservation Commission:** The Commission will meet on **Thursday, August 13th** at 7:00 p.m. in Room 204. The following requests/items will be heard: stormwater system improvements at **229-293 Dedham Street**; Certificates of compliance for **500 Beacon Street, 20 Kessler Way, and 16 Walnut Hill**; Updates regarding Conservation Areas; Updates regarding other issues around the City; and Administrative discussions to include review of **meeting minutes**, draft **Tree Replacement Guidance, Aquatic Weed Control and Pond Management Guidance, Minor Exempt Guidance**, and other administrative updates. A detailed agenda can be found at www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/conserv/age/2015_agendas_n_minutes.asp. **Contact Jennifer Steel at 617.796.1134 or jsteel@newtonma.gov.**
- **Community Preservation Committee:** The next CPC meeting has been moved to **Wednesday, September 9th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Newton Senior Center. The deadline for requesting time on this agenda, or submitting materials for the CPC's pre-meeting packet, is **Monday August 24th**. **Please contact Program Manager Alice Ingerson at 617.796.1144 or aingerson@newtonma.gov.**